

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, October 31. 1854

Dear Sir,

I have your favor of yesterday. As you regard H. Moyer as perhaps the best mether in your department and that it will be difficult to supply his place from your other workmen, you will consider his name withdrawn from the list furnished you yesterday.

When the public service - as it now so evidently the case - requires a reduction of the force employed in the Mint I have no hesitancy in taking the responsibility of the act. You may therefore inform the persons named, that the resolution to dispense with their present services proceeds entirely from the Director; but that he deeply regrets the unpleasant necessity which is forced upon him. Very Respectfully,
J. C. Beatty Esq. M. & A. U. S. M. Saml R. Snowden
Director

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